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ON DECEMBER 15, U.S. CUSTOMS COURT DENIED USG MOTION
(DESCRIBED PARA 3 OF REFTEL) TO SUSPEND U.S. STEEL CASE
CONCERNING REBATE OF VAT UNDER ZENITH CASE CONCERNING
JAPANESE COMMODITY TAX. THE EFFECT OF THE COURT'S DECISION
IS THAT USG AND U.S. STEEL WILL CONTINUE TO PREPARE FOR

TRAIL OF THE CASE, WHICH IS STILL IN THE DISCOVERY STAGE.
WE ARE NOT IN A POSITION TO ESTIMATE HOW LONG THIS TOTAL
PROCESS WILL TAKE.
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